

---

## **OLR Bill Analysis**

**HB 6449**

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF LABOR RELATIONS AND THE STATE BOARD OF MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION.***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires performance evaluations of any member of the State Board of Labor Relations (SBLR) or the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration to be made available to the member, labor commissioner, governor, and anyone responsible for evaluating the member's performance. (Presumably, the member and anyone responsible for evaluating the member's performance would have access to the member's evaluation under existing law.) Under the bill, the information disclosed must be used only to improve the board's service, to evaluate the member's performance, and to be used by the governor in considering the member's reappointment. By law, the governor appoints the members of the two boards. The General Assembly advises and consents on appointments to the SBLR.

Under existing law, personnel files, including evaluations, are exempt from disclosure under the state Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The bill supersedes these exemptions (CGS § 1-210 (b)) and the state personal data law (CGS Chapter 55), which regulates the maintenance and dissemination of personal data by any state board, commission, department, or officer other than the legislature, courts, governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, or town or regional boards of education.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2013

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 11 Nay 0 (03/07/2013)